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## Gun owners rush to meet deadline

STEVE GALEA

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The federal gun registry made headlines again last Friday when Justice Minister Martin Cauchon announced that Canadian firearm owners now have the option to submit a letter of intent declaring that they'll register their firearms.

The letter, in lieu of actually registering firearms by the year's end deadline, must be mailed and postmarked, faxed, or e-mailed to the Canadian Firearms Centre (CFC) by December 31, 2002. In a press release, Cauchon said its intent is to provide firearms owners with more time to comply as well as alleviating an overtaxed CFC. The letter must be followed by registration of firearms by June 30th, 2003.

Though not technically a deadline extension, the issue has caused confusion among local firearms owners.

Mike Grinell, a Haliburton-based gunsmith says, "I think this latest initiative buys the CFC and Liberals time because they've set deadlines they can't honour. It doesn't give firearms owners any real extension but it is being perceived as such... It seems to be a sneaky way of admitting that they've blundered."

Karen Parrott, owner of Outdoors Plus in Haliburton, says, "Most of our customers are frustrated with the fact that they have to register their firearms — period. But since it

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DARREN LUM/Echo

### Sam's fun

Eight-month-old Sam Williams enjoys a day at the slopes at Sir Sam's Ski Area with his dad Blair on Sunday. The day before, the double chair lift broke down, stranding skiers on the lift until they were rescued by the Ski Patrol. See story and photos on page 3.

## River portage route still open despite gates

SHERYL LOUCKS

Staff Reporter

Despite a new gate and fences, Thomas Pigeon insists that an historical portage route through his property between the Redstone River and Clay Pack Lake is still open.

There is some debate between his neighbours and locals about where exactly the portage route is. The route is identified on township maps dating back to 1850 in the area near the border between Stanhope and Guilford townships. It is protected by the Public Lands Act governed by the Ministry of Natural Resources, according to Pat Martin, Dysart et al planner. Martin acknowledged, though, that the old surveys are not as accurate as modern technology has made possible.

Ruth Barry is one of Pigeon's neighbours.

Her husband's family used to own the property the portage crosses. She has numerous stories about canoeists making the approximate 2km portage to Clay Pack; from there they can go through a chain of lakes up to Kennisis or down through the watershed from the Redstone River into Green Lake and beyond.

"We feel the route is important to protect because the canoes come down from Algonquin and can get all the way to Minden if they wish. Up until a few years ago the Scouts, camp kids, and others would come through in the summer 10 at a time," says Barry.

She has been concerned about the fences and gates and missing signs that used to mark the location of the route from Barry Line.

Pigeon says he was not aware of missing signs and says there is still clear signage on

the route. He said he is a very active hunting and fishing advocate and is "absolutely comfortable" with the right of the public to use portage routes - for portaging.

"There is a total misconception about us closing the route. In fact I've improved it. It's 22 feet wide and flat as a stone now. We will be respecting anyone with a canoe on their head who comes through," says Pigeon.

What he adamantly opposes is hunters poaching on his land and using the portage route for access, which is why, he says, the fences and the gates have gone up. He believes there is enough room for anyone with a canoe to get by the gate and down to the water but they have deliberately done their best to block the way for snowmobiles and all-terrain vehicles.

"When the laws were created to protect

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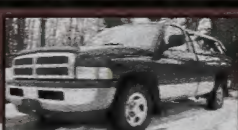
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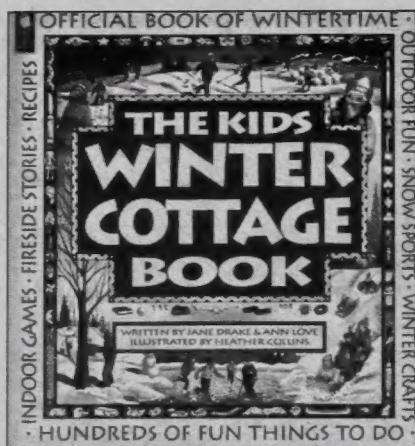
**STEVE GALEA**

*Special to The Echo*

If you have pre-teens in your life, you don't need me to remind you that winter, for them, alternates between spasms of unbridled joy and long bouts of boring cabin fever. Fortunately, *The Kids Winter Cottage Book* is here to tip the scales towards the former.

The book is a beautifully illustrated and thoughtfully laid out guide to making the most of winter. Four great sections (Welcome Winter, Outdoor Winter Fun, Indoor Winter Fun, and Celebrate Winter) provide enough inspiration and instruction to motivate even the most Nintendo-afflicted couch spud to get up and live a little.

From the basics of safe snow fort construction to making your own snowshoes, this book is filled with easy,



educational, original and thoroughly fun activities. It's so well laid out and entertaining that I found myself picking it up soon after the kids put it down. Just reading it made me wish I was young again.

Animal tracks, behaviour, noises and basic biology are just some of the things that the readers are encouraged to seek out and experience in the wintry landscape. Great advice on backyard bird and squirrel feeding and attracting wildlife are sure to fire the imagination of those young outdoors people in your family too.

Aside from the basic winter games that kids know and love, the authors also detail several that will have kids

wishing for a longer, snowier season. Snow snake and rink bowling are just two of many action-packed outdoors activities that begin with the kids actually making their own equipment. The instructions are clear and easily understood and most items are crafted from recyclables. Though my own children haven't tried these two activities out yet, I'm sure that making the pins and snow snakes will be half the fun.

If youngsters need a break from the cold, there's a plethora of creative indoor activities too. From a how-to on examining trapped snow flakes with magnifying glass to a silly fireside story game, it's all there. Add to that a section on winter science, sewing and knitting projects, and cooking and you'll just scratch the surface of the wisdom held within those 128 pages.

There are literally scores of well considered lessons and crafts offered in this book. Make no mistake, this is all about activities.

Of course, all of this thoroughness and creativity is no surprise if you are familiar with Kids Can Press. We own several books in their line and I've never been disappointed by the quality and value rendered. These people offer good, clean fun with a little education painlessly slipped in along the way. It's practically magic.

To me, the best part is that *The Winter Kids Cottage Book* isn't just a one-time bit of entertainment. It's a reference book that will enthuse your young ones and quite possibly change their outlook on Old Man Winter. Hey, where was this book 30 years ago?

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# Ski patrol performs routine rescue for not-so routine circumstance

**DARREN LUM**

Staff Reporter

A mechanical failure left 35 skiers and snow boarders stranded on a chair lift in front of the chalet for more than an hour at Sir Sam's Ski Area on Saturday.

Lift operators first noticed a loud bang at noon. It was caused by a broken coupler between the motor and the gear-box. Once they realized the extent of the damage, knowing they couldn't restart the chair lift, they notified the area ski patrol who responded within minutes.

In the rescue the ski patrol used the chair lift evacuation chair — a rescue device similar in structure to a T-bar with a rope attached to the chair lift line. This enables rescuers to lower individuals who are secured to the seat with a rope-like harness.

In two teams, ski patrol and staff brought everyone down in an hour and 15 minutes.

Jeff Durish, stranded on the chair lift for nearly an hour, said he never felt his safety was compromised during the entire ordeal. The staff and the ski patrol were great, he adds.

"They were walking up and down the [chair] lift, giving us encouragement and talking to us," Durish said.

Durish, who returned the day after to ski, had never been stuck on a chair lift in his 25 years of skiing. Twelve fellow

club members from Belleville were stranded on the chair lift and had nothing but praise for the evacuation, he said.

Sir Sam's owner and manager Bob Bishop says this type of failure is rare for chair lifts.

"This isn't a part that would get replaced. Probably never. It was a freak occurrence. When you got mechanical stuff it fails sometimes. It's a mechanical thing. Stuff wears out," Bishop said.

Despite the chair lift's break down, none of the runs were closed that day.

This is the first type of chair lift failure of this kind at the area in more than 37 years, Bishop adds.

He said the failure occurred with "the coupling between the motor and the gear-box. It's an off-the-shelf item. We will be able to pick it up in Toronto [Monday] and reinstall it. That will be the end of it," Bishop said.

John Hogg, a ski patrol member for more than 30 years, said "The unusual part is that it's so unusual for Sir Sam's. This was a mechanical problem. Nobody on the planet could have avoided it... It doesn't usually happen, but [the rescue] was quite routine," Hogg said.

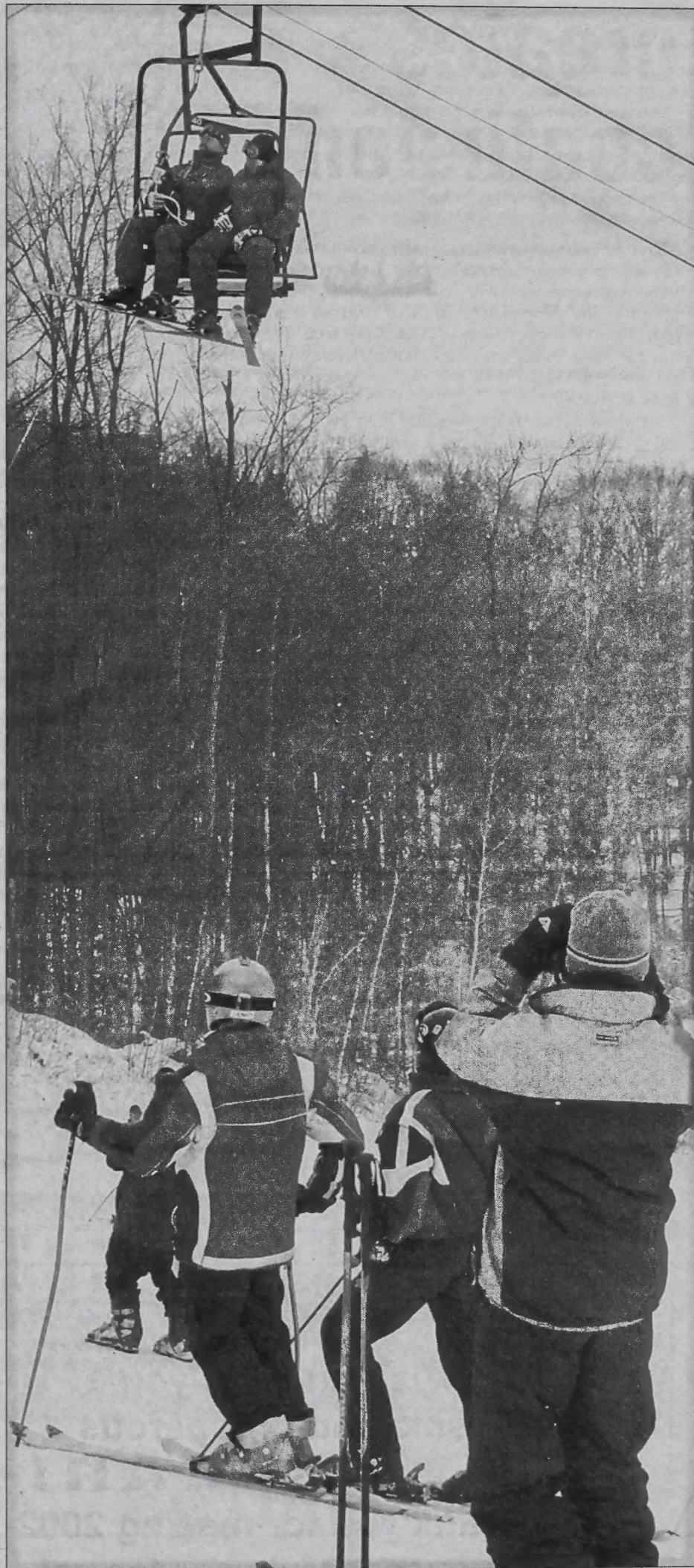
Bishop said "We trained for this back on December 7... In all the years that we've trained for this, this is the first year we had to get serious about it and evacuate the lift the hard way."

Normally, a chair lift failure could be solved using the auxiliary motor but with this particular failure everything became inoperable.

Along with area staff, 11 patrollers responded to the situation.



Ski patrollers worked in two teams to get skiers off the lift.



DAN REINWALD/Special to The Echo

While some skiers wait their turn to be evacuated from the ski lift, those who were already safely on the ground get curious about the rescue.

## Get out and enjoy winter sports at fun workshops

A new winter workshop series is an ideal way to make the best of the blustery wintry white season, not to mention a way to work off a bit of the Christmas cheer everyone indulges in.

Haliburton Highlands Trails and Tours Network has put together the series in connection with various partners such as the Health Unit.

The series starts on Jan. 11 with

dogsledding at Haliburton Forest. Participants will have a chance to harness up and experience the thrill of driving a team of huskies.

A lesson in cross-country skiing will be held on February 1 at the Leslie M. Frost Centre. This is a chance for beginners or those needing a refresher. Ski rentals will be available.

If skis are not really your thing you

may want to rediscover the ancient way of getting around on the white stuff - snow shoeing. Camp Kandalore is hosting this workshop on Feb. 15 and promises that no fancy footwork or equipment is required.

The network brochure calls kicksledding "one part functional transportation - three parts wicked fun" and you can learn all about it on Feb. 22 at Camp

Wanakita.

Finally, for the real troupers there is the workshop on winter camping in the woods at the Kinark Outdoor Centre. The Mar. 1 workshop will teach ways to stay warm, dry and safe whether day tripping or on over night excursions.

Workshops are \$35, except the dogsledding which is \$75. Pre-registration required; call 286-1760.



# Firearms registration creates confusion

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is law they're now wondering why exceptions are being made ... Since this announcement, I've had a few customers come in who were confused about the letter of intent. Some seemed to think that it gives them until June 30, 2003 to send one in. That's not true. They still must register their guns or indicate by letter of intent by December 31st that they will register them. There's no real extension."

To many firearms owners and gun owners groups, the firearm registry has been a symbol of what's wrong with the Firearms Act. Parrott says, "Those that I've spoken to don't see it as being a deterrent to crime. Furthermore they see the system as being expensive and inefficient. The Auditor-General's report confirmed that."

She's referring to Auditor-General Sheila Fraser's recent report that criticizes the Firearms Act and gun registry in particular for inefficiency and huge cost over runs — from the original allotted budget of \$2 million to the projected \$1 billion dollar expenditure by 2005.

Grinell, who is heavily involved with and knowledgeable of the Firearms Act because of his profession, worries about local hunters and firearms enthusiasts. "The biggest thing I've noticed locally is that here most people are not adequately informed about it. There are people in Haliburton County who are unlicensed and who will not register their firearms. I blame that partly on a poor public relations effort by the CFC... People are phoning me now in a panic, and they're unsure of what to do. The paper registration forms are hard to get and, around here, a high level of computer illiteracy makes on-line registry difficult for some."

DARREN LUM/Echo



Local firearms owners have also reported long delays in on-line registration and in telephone requests for information.

The grass-roots impact of these laws will be felt in the New Year when the OPP and MNR start verifying that firearms are registered during routine checks of hunters and shooters. Grinell says, "A lot of guys are going to be nailed to the wall on this simply because they never understood the serious nature of non-compliance... We're talking about criminal prosecution, gun confiscation, heavy fines or jail time just because you don't have the proper paperwork."

Despite this, CFC sources say the program is a success with 1.9 million gun owners now licensed in Canada and 75% of those having registered a total of 5.7 million firearms. Critics like Grinell challenge the CFC's figures. "A 1998 Stats Canada report said there were closer to 8 million gun owners in Canada with an average of three guns each. Obviously, judging the success of the program depends on whose figures you use."

From a business perspective, neither Parrott nor Grinell are impressed. "The system seems to be getting worse. Firearms transfers are becoming more difficult...they're questioning things that just shouldn't be

questioned," says Parrott.

Parrott says that in order to sell firearms by 2004 her shop is expected to employ a licenced verifier (a person who verifies that actual and registration information agree). "There are courses involved and a requirement to set up a computer system and then after the New Year there's also a \$25 transfer fee on top of each firearm price tag... (For the amount of firearms business we do), it's hardly worth it."

Grinell says the Firearms Act is also affecting his business. "People who bring me firearms for repair need to have the registration cards with them for me to legally work on them. I believe it's going to have a significant effect on my business over the next year."

As of January 1, 2003, firearms owners are mandated by federal law to be licensed and have their firearms registered. Failure to comply by that deadline could result in prosecution.

Firearms owners who wish to send a letter of intent to register must provide the CFC with their full name, address, and firearms licence number. It can be e-mailed to [Canadian.firearms@justice.gc.ca](mailto:Canadian.firearms@justice.gc.ca), or faxed to 1-800-411-0622, or mailed to P.O. 1200, Miramichi, New Brunswick E1N 5Z3.



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# 2003 is a time of promise for local leaders

**SHERYL LOUCKS**

Staff Reporter

Underneath New Year's Eve party hats many brains are reflecting on the year of 2002: accomplishments, losses, and scheming for how to make 2003 the best year yet. The following is a collection of thoughts from some local leaders.

## Health

Tonight, Dale Walker, Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation executive director, is going to be celebrating an outstanding Christmas campaign. The mail-out based on the theme of stars drew in \$67,000 for the foundation, a huge leap over last year's total of \$45,000.

"It's a great way to start 2003. I want to build on that and really thank everyone who has supported us," says Walker.

The foundation has collected enough donations to put them a bit above the calendar year-end target with \$490,000. However, Walker warns there is still approximately \$1.6 million of the hospital construction debt to pay off and the original goal to have it paid by the end of 2003 now seems optimistic.

She plans on pushing to get there anyway, with concentrated efforts to find new more sponsors for the annual golf tournament, to increase planned long-term giving, and by giving donors a gala worth remembering next fall.

Walker says for her the lows of 2002 consisted of the retirement of Foster Loucks as Chief Executive Officer of HHHS and of Gord Monk from the foundation. The highs have been the numerous examples of dedication and hard work from her board's members.

## Education

Valerie Smith, Haliburton's Trillium Lakelands District School Board representative, is enthusiastic about the prospects for 2003. Passionate about education and children, Smith has often been present in 2002 to witness the little triumphs of students in her riding though not nearly as many as she would like.

Smith says the shining moment for her in 2002 was a day when she and TLDSB members listened to presentations from staff about innovative projects they wished to start. In 2002 the board had created a new \$100,000 Program Enhancement Fund and Smith says it was one of the toughest choices of the year trying to figure out how to spread the money around.

"We have a phenomenal staff with the most wonderful ideas and initiatives. It was so exciting, a very long, exhausting day, but exciting," Smith recalled.

Challenges for 2002 continued to be funding and all of the strings attached to those dollars. Smith says she was disappointed to learn new money for transportation could not be spent on improving the transportation network but rather on safety training.

In 2003, it will be up to the Ministry of Education to decide whether or not a new elementary school will be built in the eastern end of the county.

Smith, a self-proclaimed advocate of small schools, says it is a sad reality that the new curriculum and standardized testing does not allow for the flexibility of multi-grades. She commented in the past, that teachers could teach some components of the elementary curriculum at different grade levels based on the needs

of the classroom in multi-grades but now with standardized testing for particular years, aspects of the curriculum have to be taught at specific times.

"There just isn't enough time for a teacher to meet all the curriculum requirements for multi-grades. Our communities (Cardiff and Wilberforce) have been great in giving the students access to the arena, library and community centres but precious time is lost in getting the kids bundled up to walk in the winter when an in-school library, gym, labs would save time. I think a new school will be a positive real possibility."

## Sir Sandford Fleming College

Barb Bolin, who leads Sir Sandford Fleming College's Haliburton campus, has a big year ahead of her as construction begins on the new Haliburton campus. Raising \$2 million towards the construction will be the overwhelming challenge of the year.

Bolin says in 2002 the School of the Arts experienced a jump of approximately 10 per cent in attendance, with 3,600 registrants.

"The popularity of the school is incredible. People are now recognizing the arts as something good for you and a valid way to spend leisure time," says Bolin.

The trend she noticed in 2002 was a lot of mature students enrolling and choosing the arts for a new career path.

There is more to look forward to than bulldozers though. The college is also launching new certificate programs in holistic health, massage therapy and a new textile program. By 2005 Bolin estimates there will be 110 additional full-time students at the college.

"Socially, it will be wonderful to have everyone in one place, one campus building. And for Haliburton it will mean a huge economic and recreational impact. Just think of the new accommodation needs alone," says Bolin.

Despite all of the excitement over the future, Bolin says a special moment for her this year was a letter she received from a New Brunswick student who had attended the school. The young woman wrote back to say the Haliburton campus already had everything it needed to be a wonderful place due to the staff and students - a moment of grounding for Bolin.

## Dysart

The economic picture for Haliburton is looking better and better according to Dysart et al Reeve Murray Fearrey.

"The growth we're experiencing is high quality, good development," he says.

The obvious positive highlights of 2002 being the completion of the new IGA store and the beginning of the construction work for the new college campus, says Fearrey. He added the Loblaws proposal and other commercial projects coming up are promising for 2003.

"This has been one of the best banner years in the last 20 years for economic growth," says Fearrey.

He is also pleased to say the sewage spill in Lake Kashagawigamog has been cleaned up with the problems in the system that caused the spill dealt with. Fearrey says they have "done everything we humanly can" to prevent another such spill.

Environmental issues will remain at the top of the agenda as well as the budget in 2003.

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# MNR unclear about portage ownership protocol

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this heritage right in the 19th Century, people weren't flying through the land with engines underneath them. Some locals think that because they have been crossing private property for years (on snowmobiles and ATVs) they have the God-given right to," says Pigeon.

Dave Cameron, Pigeon's neighbour, says Pigeon's gate is in a fork in the road that leads down to his property. It is a narrow road and he says people used to be able to safely turn around there.

"The present gate is a hazard and a danger," says Cameron.

Pigeon says the gate is staying. "I'm passionate about hunting and will ensure anyone with a canoe on their head has access. But I will not tolerate people butchering on my property and I've seen the evidence of blood scores."

Gary Clements, MNR officer, says they are currently investigating the situation. He explained he has put several questions to the ministry's legal services, such as how do they clarify exactly where the portage is, can the gate and fences stay, and if Pigeon has the right to restrict snowmobile or ATV access, which he suspects he does.

Kevin Callan, author of Lost Canoe Routes, says it is really important that Canadians maintain their right to portage because it is part of our cultural heritage. Callan argues that the rights of private land holders are increasingly taking precedence over the rights of the Canadian people to access lakes, rivers and the environment that is their heritage.

"Personally, I think there's a lot being

done (financially) to help snowmobile and ATV trail use but there is not a lot being done for canoe routes - it's a slap in the face as a Canadian," says Callan.

He added he is "not cursing" ATV or snowmobile users and can see their argument too about wanting access. "It's a

double edged sword. I don't like it when canoers get denied access so can understand why someone else would be upset but I also selfishly would like to see just canoer access (on portages)," says Callan.

When it comes to the specific portage route across Pigeon's property, Callan

says he can not understand why the MNR does not technically own the portage route while Clements says he does not believe the MNR owns any portage routes unless they are on Crown land. No one has provided a definitive answer as of yet.

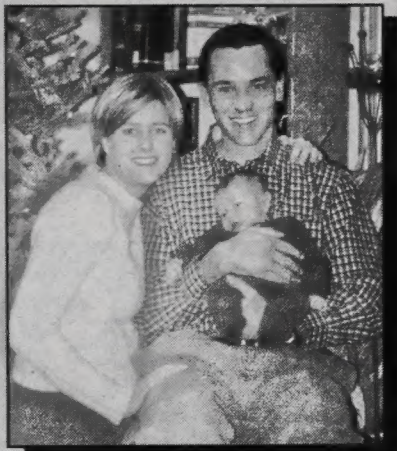


## What a bargain

Sisters Cory and Jaime Abbs were laden down with bargains when they did some after-Christmas shopping at V & S in Haliburton. Although stores in urban areas opened their doors on the real Boxing Day, December 26, most businesses in the Highlands took a well-deserved break, opening their doors again on December 27.

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# Dog days of winter

Conditions are looking good for Haliburton's Sled Dog Derby scheduled for the weekend of January 11th and 12th

Sheryl Loucks

Staff Reporter

The dogs will be out and running for all they're worth on January 11 and 12 for the second annual Haliburton Highlands Sled Dog Derby.

Tanya McCreedy, who organizes the races along with her husband Hank DeBrun, says this year's competition will be even better with the addition of the eight dog, eight mile race. They dropped the three dog race because the bigger teams attract more professional teams who will stay longer in town.

The derby has races for both purebred Huskies and an open category. Most sled dogs, McCreedy says, now fit into the open category. These dogs are Alaskans bred with Grey Hounds, Siberians and other breeds to give them speed and strength.

The competition will also have four dog and six dog team races. Altogether McCreedy says they are hoping to have more than last year's 65 participants. Registrations are pouring in now as mushers become more confident the snow will hold.

Last year's winner, Lou Serre, also took gold at the World's competition and will be returning this year. McCreedy says once you get a big name like him, others tend to follow. Teams are already registered from all over Quebec, Ontario, Ohio, New York State and Minnesota.

The public is welcome to watch the race for free. It will start at Head Lake, go through Glebe Park and out

to the landfill - depending on the distance of the race.

A fun time for families will be Saturday afternoon when they hold the one dog, one sled, one kid races. The races this year will be broken into the age three to eight category and the age 8 to 14 category.

"The conditions are good. It's great to see the snowmobilers out there packing down the route for us," says McCreedy.

She is also excited the Molou will be showing the Disney sled dog movie Iron Will during the weekend for the kids. Last year, she says it was so cold people would be outside to watch for 10 or 15 minutes and then need somewhere to go to warm up.

She is also grateful to Dysart et al for being the derby's organizational partner. The race is accredited and part of the International Federation of Sled Dog Sports racing circuit. She says generally in January and during the season there is a race somewhere in Ontario every weekend.

Interest by teams in racing has not necessarily grown, she says, but interest by others in experiencing the sport has. She and her husband own WinterDance and conduct sled dog tours. McCreedy says now that they are in their fourth winter of full-time operation they do not have an open day between now and Jan. 31.

"Sled dogs seem to be part of this growing eco-tourism, eco-adventure industry in Canada that is booming," says McCreedy.

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# Reasons to be happy in 2003

As part of our New Year's tradition, here are some of the things we can be happy about in 2003.

**SECOND CHANCES:** This editorial was written on a computer's hard drive before being transferred to a server that's shared amongst everyone here at *The Echo*. It's not the same server, however, that crashed just before Christmas as we were rushing to put the paper together. It's a temporary replacement until we get the broken server back. But at least we're getting it back — plus all the information that we feared was lost forever.

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## editorial

— martha perkins

Now that the panic is over, we're incredibly relieved we've been given the opportunity to learn from past mistakes. We're converts to the mantra of "back up, back up, back up" (although we must admit that nearly everyone except this writer was already a believer in the cause.)

So to all you computer gurus out there, the ones who can plumb the inner workings of these strange and wonderful machines to retrieve lost information, thank you for giving the rest of us a second chance. Rest assured we've learned our lesson and will never, ever forget to back up our work. Promise.

**HEALTH FOR LIFE:** There's nothing like a mammoth bill for healthcare to make a government sit back and wonder how to save money. Someone sitting around the decision-making table must have remembered that old adage: an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure. Ah ha! Maybe it's better to prevent people from needing the healthcare system than fixing them once they come knocking on the door.

Thus was born Health for Life, a partnership of various agencies that are working together to promote a healthy lifestyle. The message is simple: be active, eat in moderation and you'll feel a lot better. We're not talking about a nation of joggers and salad eaters. It's more about making choices that will have long-term health benefits.

Here in Haliburton County, Health for Life has been having a very positive impact. There are support groups for people with adult-onset diabetes (caused by diet), exercise promotions, workshops on positive body images (being healthy instead of skinny) and grocery store tours to teach people how to read the fine print on all those food labels. These initiatives don't get people's attention by nagging at them. Instead, the message is always a positive, supportive one.

Judging by the number of people out walking, jogging and skiing, the initiative is working.

**RUTH STILL:** If ever you need inspiration about how to grow older with grace and vitality, sit down and talk to Ruth Still for a little while. She has learned how to re-invent herself with enthusiasm and verve every time life throws a new challenge her way.

Before moving to the Highlands, she was known as a wife, mother and teacher. When she settled in Eagle Lake, however, those roles no longer fit. Her children had grown and started lives of their own, her husband had passed away and she had retired from teaching. Here she was in Eagle Lake, alone and living on a big piece of property. That's when she became a residential developer. Around the same time, she also became a founder of the annual Rhubarb Festival, which started out on a field next to her house. *The Echo's* Eagle Lake correspondent and the village historian. Her book, *In The Fullness of Time: The Story of Eagle Lake* is a chronicle of the village's rich history, a history that would have been partly lost without her research. You haven't heard much from Ruth in the past few months. That's because she's been so completely absorbed in writing an autobiographical/historical novel that uses her family's story to weave a tale that's bound to fascinate and entertain. She gets so wrapped up in the story-telling that the rest of life in Eagle Lake has swirled outside her window without much notice.

This year, 2003, is going to be a good one for Ruth. It marks the year of her 80th birthday, a birthday she's approaching with a sense of accomplishment, pride and excitement. We all hope to be able to do the same.



Vinegar Hill

photo by DARREN LUM/Echo

## Change or progress?

If the past few decades have taught us anything about ourselves, our dreams, our realities, it surely should have taught us to be wary of change that is touted as progress. These words are not necessarily synonymous.

"Change" means to do something differently. "Progress" is more specific. It means to go forward and/or to improve. The adage, "If it ain't broke, don't fix it," is not a popular saying today; but ignoring it can cause us to end up with nothing more than we had before the tampering began. The ancient game of golf provides a fine example of our folly.

For several hundred years it was a simple game; the refinements over time were minor. A group of people would hit a tiny ball with the large, knobbed end of a stick over a specified length of natural terrain dotted with hazards in order to reach a tiny hole in the distance marked with a flag. The person who managed this feat with the fewest number of strokes was declared the winner. It was not only an interesting and challenging sport but it had the added benefit of being a healthy exercise in the out-of-doors.

Then a few decades ago, under the guise of progress, the changes began. A sport that needed no fixing got royal treatment. Whether the primary impetus came from golf course designers and the manufacturers of golf equipment or from golfers who wanted to improve their scores or both is uncertain but for a time all seemingly benefitted. Those in the business have prospered and golfers delight in driving distances once only imagined. This so-called progress, however, has begun to create demands upon the game that may soon become unmanageable.

Over time the changes in golf ball and golf club construction began to make a mockery of golf course layouts. Gradually the established contouring of the fairways became ineffective, traps and water hazards no longer being viable as obstacles. As a result many of the great American

courses are in the process of being reconfigured. The Masters last year was played on a significantly lengthened course but still the commentators bemoaned the fact that, even then, many of the traps no longer came into play because the balls had been driven far beyond them.

During these last decades the concerted effort to make the game a popular pastime has been overwhelmingly successful. Now more courses are needed close to populated areas in order to

accommodate these new adherents to the game but since fairways must now be longer even more land is required. Golf course developers are in a box. As one said, who wanted to build a course near the Oak Ridges Moraine, the cost of purchasing ever more land and the taxes that must be paid yearly require greens fees or memberships far out of the reach of most golfers. The longer courses and the increased number of players have also led to greater use of

golf carts in order to speed up the play. There goes the exercise once considered to be important for many participants.

Finally the game as played today requires meticulously groomed fairways, manicured greens, and carefully contoured rough. The demands on maintenance are daunting. Labour costs are significant. Fertilizer supplements, once most liberally applied in order to present the ground coverings in the most attractive manner, are being limited if not actually banned in some places. Water, the final ingredient, is often no longer easily available.

At this time the future of the game as we know it is beginning to look bleak. Perhaps in the not-too-distant future once more golf could become as it was - the challenge for a group of people hitting a tiny ball with the large, knobbed end of a stick across a specified length of natural terrain dotted with hazards in order to reach a tiny hole in the distance marked with a flag.



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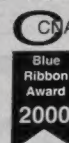
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# Batteries not included

Now that the spruce needles are falling from the Yule tree and the bright ribbons have gone the way of my long lost hairline, we're left with the nagging aftermath of Christmas. And, believe me, here, at least, it's not all eggnog and leftover stuffing.

That's right. Vinegar Hill like many other places in this wrapping paper-torn land is besieged by toys. The scary part is, that an alarming number of them are smarter than I and a far sight better looking too, so it's hard for a dumb, inanimate object to compete. Carmen's new kiddy computer, for instance, knows all of its ABCs and words to match. I do, too, but after trying to

tales from



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learn how to program it, the words I mumble aren't exactly the kind children should be subjected to.

The real problem with this abundance of toys is that someone is expected to assemble them and since I'm constantly reminded that I bear the closest resemblance to an elf in this household, the task always seems to fall to me.

Oh sure, I have mastered the rudimentary use of basic tools and can often walk upright for brief periods of time but that's no real reason to expect this sort of thing

from me. Yet they do.

I remember a time when toys were just plain stupid and that suited me just fine. There were never any brains or skill required to use a slinky. It was merely a matter of finding a suitable stair case and going to it. Once you figured out that you had to release it downhill from the top of the stairs, you pretty well had the fundamentals beat. I'm proud to say that it didn't take me any more than a half day to stumble upon that technique and, aside from that one horrible, slinky-related injury, I remember that toy fondly.

But now, a half day is merely the time that it takes to figure out how to get the toy out of the over-packaged boxes. I'm told it even takes longer if you don't use a sharp ax.

From there on in, a father's whole Christmas Day might be ruined if he were to actually listen to his wife and kids and read the assembly instructions.

Gullible as they are, they seem to think that if a man were to actually study these things, the extra parts would just magically disappear. Yeah right.

As an experienced father, however, I know that instructions were put in the box as a mere precautionary measure, a professional courtesy, if you will.

It's the sort of thing that one man will do for another so that if the toy explodes, as they sometimes do, there's something concrete to blame. That way when your wife is scraping the cat off the ceiling, you can point to Step 4A and raise your one remaining eyebrow knowingly. Though this sort of thing doesn't actually help, it is comforting nevertheless.

Of course, if you assemble enough toys you'll find there are inexplicable times when, against all odds, all the pieces get used up. Unfortunately, children don't seem to appreciate these Christmas miracles like they should although, God knows, my wife does. So did my last cat, God Bless her soul.

Now, I'm not about to lie to you and tell you that I've ever personally succeeded in placing all the parts where the designer "suggested" they go, but I will say that once I knew a guy who actually claimed this. Of course, this fellow was the type who also maintained a spotlessly clean workshop and always returned borrowed tools, so he wasn't exactly trustworthy nor the type most of us would be proud to associate with. If not for his high rank in the clergy, I might have dismissed his claim outright.

Even so, I only mention it merely because I realize that most people are fond of urban legends.

This is the sort of misinformation that's out there too. And because of this, kids don't seem to have any understanding that the toy they see in the catalogue or on television will rarely bear more than a passing resemblance to the one that their father hands them. I've even heard complaints from my own son, normally a reasonable lad, that a brand new remote-control truck ought not to be up on building blocks.

I just handed him the blow torch, sledge hammer and spare parts and challenged him to do better.

Hey, at least when I was born into this world my parents never had to read instructions to assemble and operate me. Then again, maybe that explains a couple of these spare parts.



## pic of the past

In 1869, Alexander Niven, the man who surveyed so much of Ontario, including Haliburton County, and his new bride Maggie visited Montréal on their honeymoon. They stopped at the Notman photography studio to have this wedding portrait taken. Although in his diary Niven called his wedding the happiest day of his life, there were not many happy years in store for the couple. His job took him away from home for long stretches of time and she apparently was not happy with life in Haliburton in his absence (and perhaps didn't like village life very much even when he was here.) Eventually she left him, taking their children with her to Peterborough. At the end of his life he lived, alone, at the Grand Central Hotel in Haliburton. Our thanks to Leo Dobrzensky for tracking down this marvellous photo, which is now part of the archives at Haliburton Highlands Museum, and for sharing the information with us.

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## letters to the editor

To the Editor:

The staff of the Pleasant Valley Marmot Conservation Authority (PVMCA) would like to thank *The Echo* and in particular the editor and

feature writer Martha Perkins for her role in brokering a truce in our ongoing dispute with the Groundhog Marketing Board of Canada (GMB).

See **George** page 11

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# Progress made on 9-1-1 in 2002, but much work remains for coming year

STEPHEN FOSTER

911 Co-ordinator

By virtue of the dedication and determination of those who are part of it, the 9-1-1 Team has advanced the cause of emergency response in several respects during 2002.

For instance, we have expanded the list of known roads in the county to 1,766. Of that number, over 1,500 are private. Second, an intensive screening of the names by which roads are currently known has eliminated instances of exact duplication, near duplication, sounds like and over-use of such keywords as Point, Bay, Ridge and so on. The replacement names provided by residents or that will be drawn by the municipalities from a pre-approved name list will help us to minimize the possibility of the misdirection of an emergency response unit.

At the moment, there are still 558 roads to name. At a meeting to be held in late January, the four municipal Road Naming committees will come together with the county to finish the task of assigning names to roads.

Over the course of the months from May through August, 2002, teams of students crisscrossed the county evaluating roads. Distances from the starting point of each road to the driveways that intersect them were measured while family or descriptive names were recorded off identification signs found at or near the ends of the driveways. These signs are helping us to

figure out who lives where.

What the students saw and recorded has been used in the creation of a habitation map for each road. Wherever necessary, these maps are being turned over to road representatives or volunteers to assist us by identifying the owners whose properties are accessed by driveways without any identification signs.

Looking ahead, we have to link each telephone number in the county to the subscriber and then to the civic address where that telephone is located. The civic address is derived using the dis-

tance measurements taken at driveways. In most cases, the subscriber is the owner of the property to which access is provided by the driveway. In the remaining cases, subscribers are usually tenants.

As dramatic and effective as our activities have been in 2002, next year will be even more intense. All the road name and property number signs must be manufactured and installed across the length and breadth of the County in the months from May through November. As this happens, residents will, at last, have tangible evidence that the property and street identification components of the 9-1-1 service are in place.

As the signage goes up, another intensive effort will be underway to complete the linkage of telephone numbers to civic addresses. When the database of telephone subscribers and civic addresses is turned over to Bell Canada, we will declare that another major task in the development of 9-1-1 has been completed.

*There are still  
558 roads in the county  
that await renaming*

*George may yet answer  
important question  
about how much wood  
a woodchuck can chuck*

from page 9

We would like to make it quite clear that our mandate vis a vis George III (a.k.a. Wilberforce George) is not some crass commercial connivance. This is not some bleach blonde hog set up in a steam-heated hutch in the town hall. This is a genuine down-to-earth groundhog who, despite the daily hazard of becoming an entree for the dreaded GMB and a lack of peripheral vision, is not afraid to dirty his paws in an honest effort to come up with a tourist friendly forecast for the Highlands. In addition we intend to enlist Team George in research regarding the long-standing controversy on how much wood a woodchuck can chuck if a woodchuck could chuck wood.

None of the above will be possible if the truce is broken by the GMB who are attempting to acquire a Gopher (TM), a weapon of mass retrieval which will enable them to market plump hibernating groundhogs.

Thank you for this opportunity to present our side of the conflict.

Charles (Chuck) Wood  
for the PVMCA

*Editor's note:* This letter is part of the ongoing saga between Stan Beard, who wants to save the life of George the Groundhog, who lives in his barn, and Wyatt and Kim Barnes, his ground hog-hating neighbours.

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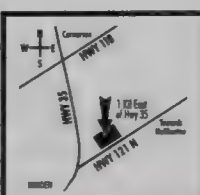
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Long-time Eagle Lake resident Ruth Still chats with some members of the community after singing her heart out during the sing-a-long.



Jessica Trantau and Laurel McCauley sing and play Christmas carols for the small crowd at the Eagle Lake church December 21.



Ruth Carter gets a helping hand from Shelby Elstone as she tells a story about holiday spirit at the Eagle Lake Community Church.

# Christmas Cheer at Eagle Lake

Jingle bells were ringing at the Eagle Lake Community Church on December 22 as community members gathered to sing carols, make crafts, munch on some goodies and celebrate the spirit of the holiday season in style with a Christmas party. From traditional carols such as Silent Night and Jingle Bells to carols with a rock beat

such as Santa Claus Rock, everyone's vocal chords got a good workout with the vocal direction of Jessica Trantau and Laurel McCauley who sang and played the guitar. The evening's events were organized with help from Eagle Lake resident Marie Wallace.



Shelby Elstone and Shay-Lynn Hutchings listen intently to a Christmas story being told by Ruth Carter.



Shay-Lynn Hutchings and Shelby Elstone strut their stuff in the basement of the church after singing carols and listening to Christmas stories. The pair choreographed two dances to the tunes of Christmas songs and then performed to perfection for the crowd at the church.

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Tannis Cross was dressed to thrill in red and had a chance to sing some Christmas carols with her grandmother by her side.



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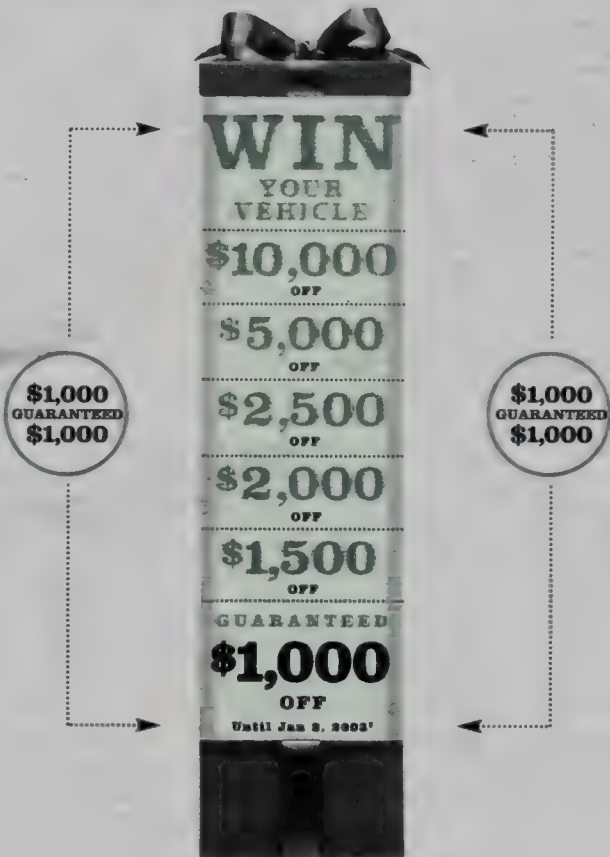
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## Ice fishing yields big catches

STEVE GALEA

Special to the Echo

If you think something as minor as global warming is going to put a damper on ice fishing in Haliburton County, think again. Hard-water anglers are already on most lakes fishing, if the regulations allow, or scouting places to park huts for the long-awaited New Year's opener.

Granted, it's certainly not a sport for the faint of heart, especially when the north wind howls and the eerie moans and cracks of expanding ice are sounding off all around. But for some, it's the only time of year to get serious about fishing. Many of the year's best fish are caught through the ice. Lake trout, in particular, are much easier to catch in winter.

Karen Parrott of Outdoor Plus in Haliburton agrees. "We don't get as many customers this time of year but the ones we do get spend just as much and they're really dedicated to the sport."

She adds most ice anglers tend to be men and "a lot of these guys only fish through the ice. Many others avoid ice angling altogether because they're nervous about being out there on the ice. There's little reason to be if you don't take chances."

Parrott says thus far, anglers are reporting relatively good ice conditions on the smaller lakes with anywhere from 6 to 8 inches of ice at press time. Four inches is a recommended minimum ice thickness to safely walk on water.

Even so, anglers trying out new waters should always speak to local anglers, bait shop owners or ice hut operators to ascertain ice conditions. Anglers should also avoid areas of heavy current or fishing near beaver lodges.

Parrott recommends that every ice



Steve Galea jigs the bottom of Cedar Lake as the sun sets on the distant horizon outside of Wilberforce.

Photo by Darren Lum

angler keep a set of claws (ice picks with handles for pulling yourself out in case of a breakthrough) handy. Warm clothing, an extra pair of gloves, good boots and a thermos of hot coffee or soup will help an angler feel comfortable out there too. She also suggests that small children wear personal flotation devices if brought to the ice fishing grounds. Some children are small enough to fall into larger openings in the ice.

Local ice hut operators are good bets for those first trying out the sport. They have the equipment, locations, ice huts and expertise to help. Generally, they are quite reasonably priced and transport the customer to and from heated ice huts while providing bait, tip-ups and an auger and ladle. Some even throw in a hot lunch delivered to the hut. Most huts can house four so ice angling is often a social activity.

We're lucky here in Haliburton because anglers can target a wide variety of fish. Walleye, Brook and Lake trout are the most popular although Whitefish and Perch are favored by some anglers as well.

Whatever your fancy, it's important to familiarize yourself with the regulations.

Some lakes have line restrictions (one instead of the traditional two per angler), slot sizes (a size range inside of which fish must be released) and special limits and regulations regarding the use of bait. General regulations also mandate that you must stay within 60 metres of any line you are fishing with.

Aside from that, Parrott says, "Anglers should remember that they need to possess valid licences on their person. It's no good to you in the car."

Since the 2003 Recreational Fishing Regulations Summary has been delayed until at least mid-January, anglers are encouraged to continue to consult the 2002 regs or, better yet, call the Minden Ministry of Natural Resources office to confirm legal requirements for angling.

This is important because, while ice fishing used to be about loyalties to local lakes, snowmobiles, ATVs, portable huts and better access to a great number of waters have made most ice anglers familiar with sever-

al waters. And it's not inconceivable that several different special regulations apply to each.

While the sport can be as simple as a willow twig, line, hook and a minnow, there's also a growing trend to go high tech. Underwater cameras, power augers, fish finding electronics and specialized ultra-sensitive rods, lines and reels are just a few of the options open to the modern ice angler.

Even lure styles come and go.

Parrott says, "The hot lures change each season but there are a few old stand-bys that seem to do the trick year after year. Little Cleos (especially blue and nickel), Rapala jigging minnows and, of course, anything by William's are favourites of local anglers. Live bait, especially minnows on a tip up also catch a lot of fish."

Whatever the case, ice angling is one more way to enjoy a great winter's day. If you haven't tried it, drop a line once. Who knows? It might not just be the fish who gets hooked.

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# New Year brings pivotal games

ANDREW PAUL

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The Atom A Storm sponsored by Cango Gas Bar enter the New Year prepared for impending playoff action touting a respectable 18-2-2 record, and hold second place in League play.

In recent matches the Storm had their only loss versus the first place Orono Leafs by a 3-2 score in what was a very exciting, intense game. The Storm followed this game up with a tie 1-1 game versus the Bobcaygeon Cougars in the battle for second place.

Recent games remain close while gaining significance, as the Storm prepare themselves for playoff style hockey. Recent scores being indicative, included victories over Huntsville 3-2, Woodville 3-1, Beaverton 5-1, and Manvers 5-0.

The New Year schedule will have games of even greater emphasis, including a trip to the Peterborough Lift Lock Tournament.

In their most recent game the Storm completed the sweep over the Manvers Mustangs in a rugged hard fought style, 5-0. The Mustangs live up to their name by playing a rugged, in-your-face style that often lands them in the penalty box. This style of play did no go uncontested by the Storm either, and play was often an exciting format of 4-on-4 hockey, with more open ice for creativity.

Drew Paul opened the scoring in the game with 3

minutes left in the second period on a nice setup pass from Craig Mulholland.

Scott Griffith got a forward pass from Keaton Gadway at center ice, and fired the puck tight under the crossbar to end the second period 2-0 with the Storm ahead. Gadway and Griffith connected again early in the third period with Gadway scoring a power play goal in the first 5 minutes of play. Carson Roberts made his presence felt throughout the game with solid play leading to an assist on a goal by Craig Mulholland midway in the third period.

The Mustangs continued to display their competitiveness throughout the game, and never showed quit. Matt Gallagher intercepted a clearing attempt at the blue line, walked in and scored from the high slot to tie the game 5-0. So combative is the nature of the Mustangs that this game represented their widest loss this year.

The Storm victory was a complete team victory which showed their true gritty nature and depth. This will surely be the style necessary for a prosperous New Year and success during the playoffs.

Just a fresh reminder to start the New Year, they are Goalie; Zack Harrison, Defense; Matt Rae, Matt Gallagher, Drew Paul, Mike Callaghan, Forwards; Scott Griffith, Mark Vasey, Keaton Gadway, Brett Hicks, Brandon Yake, Craig Mulholland, Chris Judge, Adam Van Nood, and Ashton Haley. The Storm play a good team game and will continue to make the best of their resources.



DARREN LUM/Echo

**Winter glide:** Mike Darlington gets a ski in at the Glebe Park cross-country ski trails last Friday.

## Snowmobiling conditions not safe yet, says OFSC

OFSC

Submitted

The Ontario Federation of Snowmobile Clubs is warning cottagers and others visiting Ontario's snowbelt regions during the holiday season that conditions are generally not safe for snowmobiling yet. The OFSC recommends extreme caution because looks can be very deceiving – assume that all ice, snow covered waterways, roads and fields are unsafe for riding.

The provincial snowmobile trail system operated by the OFSC is closed, and based

on the current long range forecast, will likely remain closed until after the New Year due to inconsistent snow coverage and uncertain ice conditions.

Some local trails, particularly in traditional lake effect snow belt regions and some northern pockets, may be available but may not be connected. Before making plans, please call ahead for up to date local reports, or check trail condition reports at [www.ofsc.on.ca](http://www.ofsc.on.ca)

Despite previous warnings from the OFSC, three snowmobile-related fatalities have occurred to date this winter, none on OFSC trails. Two of the victims were not wearing helmets.

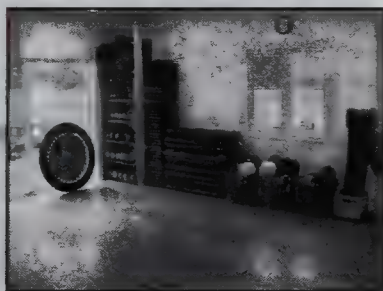
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## Jackrabbit Program returns

The Haliburton Highlands Ski Club is doubly happy this year - once for the early snow and twice for the return of the popular Jackrabbit Ski Program for children.

Due to a lack of instructors last year, the program was not held for the first time since 1982! Back then, the first leader was Teppo Lehvonen and the first location was the flat area just outside the Pro Shop at Pinestone. A few years after that, Wig-a-mog Inn became the host site but sometime in the early 1990s the program was moved to Glebe Park and the Haliburton Museum welcomed the kids in from the cold for hot chocolate and a bathroom stop.

Through the 1980s and early '90s the program boasted about 16 to 24 children per season. In 1998, the Ski Club was able to take over the Blue Grass Band Stage in Glebe Park and with the Legion's gracious permission, the Haliburton Highlands Cross Country Ski Club had a home of its own.

With financial assistance from high school nordic coach Bruce Griffith's OFSSA budget, the Clubhouse was renovated and insulated and became the permanent venue for the Jackrabbit program. That year the number of children grew to over 75 and on any Saturday afternoon in January or February, the Clubhouse fairly vibrated with the din of

youngsters, their parents and instructors all sipping on warm beverages and talking about skiing.

The Jackrabbit program is first of all about fun. Fun on the snow and fun for children. The focus is on ski games and ski-oriented activities, like the famous "bumps and jumps," the obstacle course and various hoops and cones to ski over, under or around. Almost without knowing it, the children learn Nordic skills and develop a healthy attitude towards winter and physical activity. The program begins with the simplest of cross country basics - walking on skis, falling on skis and rising up on skis. Next come the more difficult side stepping, making stars in the snow and before long shuffling along in the track and going down slight hills. It is not long before the children try to imitate the ski-skaters in the older groups and some of the kids are caught up in the urge to ski faster and faster.

The Club encourages all children to participate at their own level and tries to provide appropriate encouragement and training for those who might wish to compete. Canada's own Becky Scott, silver medalist at last year's Olympics in Soldier's Hollow in Utah, got her debut on skis from the local Jackrabbit program in her home town in Alberta. She is a great example for our youngsters to follow and every Nordic racer in Canada

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Bob Heyes



Lynda Shadbolt leads a group of children during an instruction.

now knows that it is not just the Europeans who make it to the podium.

So, this January 4th why not join with thousands of other Canadians and come out to the Haliburton Ski Club's first Jackrabbit session? The instructors are dedicated volunteers and are eager to share their knowledge of cross-country skiing with the many children who participate. They are also experts in demonstrating that winter is, perhaps, the most fun time of the year! Parents are welcome to be part of each Saturday's program

and you may ski for free during the sessions. Extra help is always appreciated with the youngest skiers.

The details: Every Saturday from January 4th to February 8th, 2003, six sessions in all. From 1:30 to 3:00pm at Glebe Park, just past the Museum. For children age 4 to 12 years. Fees of \$18 per child per season. (\$15 for the third or more child in the same family)

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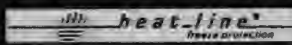
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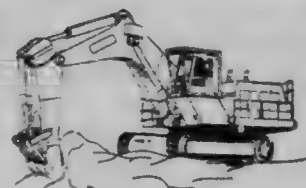
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# Managed forests eat into Dysart's tax base

**SHERYL LOUCKS**

Staff Reporter

Frustration is mounting at Dysart et al over what councillors and staff feel is insufficient compensation for the lack of tax assessment dollars it is losing as a result of the managed forests/conservation lands rebate.

Reeve Murray Fearrey estimates there is an additional \$2-million worth of assessment that has gone into the program but Dysart has only received a \$3,000 increase as a rebate.

"We agree with the program but we don't agree with what we're receiving back. It's an on-going concern," says Fearrey.

Fearrey says they have been asking now for some time for a more detailed explanation from the Ministry of Finance and Municipal Property Assessment Corporation of how the funding formula works without getting any real answers.

The program has been offered for several years but more and more landowners are now taking advantage of it. Under the program, any forested land which is more than 10 acres and which undergoes a managed forest plan is rewarded with a greatly reduced property assessment value - only 25 per cent of what it would otherwise be. As well, the tax rate, the number by which assessment is multiplied to come up with taxes owed, is only a quarter of that of other

properties.

Tammy McKelvey, Dysart chief administrative officer, says that the hit for Dysart from this program is twofold. First the land is assessed for a lower than regular rural value and second, the tax rate itself is only 25 per cent.

Dysart is supposed to receive a portion of the lost 75 per cent back but it is unclear how that formula works. McKelvey says she is currently working on the numbers to determine how many acres are involved in the program and what the financial impact on Dysart is.

At their December meeting, councillors also expressed their fear of Marcel Beaubien's recommendations in the Property Assessment and Classification

Review report. Their main concern is the report recommends that the Canadian citizenship ownership requirement be lifted. This would mean even more land could be included and Dysart would lose more of its tax base.

Fearrey says Dysart already has one of the highest concentrations of managed forests in Ontario.

Peter Schleifenbaum, owner of the 60,000-acre Haliburton Forest and Wildlife Reserve, says that the managed forest owners he knows are quite happy with the Beaubien report. He says they were looking for clarification on how the Assessment Act should be interpreted with regard to their property and now they have it.

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## Skaters cash in on raffle

The Monmouth Recreational Figure Skating Club held its raffle on Friday, December 13 at the Monmouth Arena. Bob Anderson, chairman of Ways & Means from the Wilberforce Legion, Branch 624, drew the lucky winner of \$1,000 cash, Mr. Laurie Landry of Wilberforce. The lucky ticket was purchased at Agnews General Store.

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# Extra help, one mouse click away

TVOntario website, 'Ask a Teacher', provides extra help to Grade 9 students seeking an edge in upcoming provincial tests for mathematics taken between Jan. 8 to 21.

## TVO

### Submitted

TVOntario's Ask a Teacher offers extra help online with the Grade 9 math test at ilcei.com

Provincial mathematics tests for Grade 9 students, held in winter and spring 2002, show better results than the previous year. But, both the government and critics agree that the numbers are disappointing, and there is real room for improvement. This year's math test will be held across the province from January 8 to January 21, 2003. To help prepare, Grade 9 students should log on to TVOntario's! Ask a Teacher and get free extra help online.

Ask a Teacher has exercises and links to help students improve their math skills. And they can also take Ask a Teacher sample tests. The site provides a way for students to learn, assess how ready they are, or review what they know.

As well as math exercises, students in all grades can find teachers trained to answer their questions Sunday through Thursday evenings between 6:30 and 10:30 p.m.

From January 5 until January 20, Grade 9 students can join Ask a Teacher's January Math Marathon and have extended hours in which to ask their questions live to math experts between 4:30 and 10:30.

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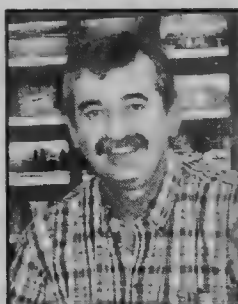
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### MUNICIPALITY OF DYSART et al REQUIRES A MUNICIPAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

We require an individual for the position of municipal Law Enforcement officer who will be responsible for the enforcement of Municipal by-laws, retrieval and caring of stray dogs, parking meter maintenance and support for the Building department.

The successful candidate must be able to work with minimal supervision, have excellent communication and conflict resolution skills, experience working on a computer and a willingness to work variable shifts. Preference will be given to candidates who have previous experience in municipal law enforcement. A detailed position description is available upon request.

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Qualified candidates are encouraged to submit a detailed resume to the undersigned by noon on Friday, January 17, 2003:

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Attention: Tammy McKelvey, A.M.C.T.  
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We thank all applicants who apply but only those selected for an interview will be contacted. Personal information is collected under the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

### Municipality of Highlands East NOTICE

(Applicants —  
COOK/PINARD AND BROWN/McNEIL & McPHAIL)

IN THE MATTER OF THE MUNICIPAL ACT AND IN THE MATTER OF A PROPOSED BY-LAW OF THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF HIGHLANDS EAST TO CLOSE, STOP-UP AND CONVEY CERTAIN PORTIONS OF AN ORIGINAL ALLOWANCE FOR ROAD ALONG THE SHORE OF KOSHLONG LAKE, MORE PARTICULARLY HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Chapter M45, Section 297 and Section 300 of the Municipal Act, R.S.O. 1990, as amended, that the township Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Highlands East proposes to consider and if deemed advisable, to pass at its regular meeting to be held at the Council Chambers, Wilberforce, Ontario on Tuesday, the 11th day of February 2003, at 9:00 a.m., a By-Law to close, stop-up and convey to the adjacent land owners the following described lands:

Part of the Original Shore Road Allowance in front of Lot 13, Concession 15, Township of Glamorgan, Municipality of Highlands East, County of Haliburton shown as Parts 4, 5, 6 and 7 (Part 7 being the flooded portion, will be retained by the Municipality of Highlands East) on a Preliminary Plan of Survey made by H. Curry Bishop, O.L.S., dated February 12, 2002.

The Plan of Survey as referred to above is available for inspection during regular office hours at the Municipality of Highlands East offices, Wilberforce, Ontario.

AND TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that before passing the said By-Law at the meeting to be held at the time and place above mentioned, the Municipality of Highlands East shall then and there hear in person or by his counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his, her or their lands will be prejudicially affected by the said By-Law and who applies to be heard.

DATED at the Municipality of Highlands East (Wilberforce), Ontario this 31st day of December, 2002.

SHARON STOUGHTON-CRAIG  
CAO/CLERK-TREASURER  
Box 295, Wilberforce, Ontario  
K0L 3C0

## Police seek help regarding store break-in

### OPP

#### Submitted

The Haliburton Highlands Detachment are investigating a break and enter at the Guardian drug store in Haliburton Village.

The officers responded to an alarm at the store and arrived to find the window smashed in the exit door.

It is unknown at this point what exactly has been taken, but there is nothing that would constitute a risk to the public. It is believed that the entry occurred at approximately 1:45 a.m. on December 24.

Anyone with information in regards to this occurrence can call the Haliburton Highlands detachment at 286-1431 or Crimestoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS.

### Drug charges

Officers from the Haliburton Highlands OPP have laid drug charges against two local men.

On Sunday, December 22, 2002 at 2:00 a.m. officers had occasion to investigate an auto and its occupants in the parking lot of the Northwood Inn.

As a result of further investigation, a 20-year-old man and a 19-year-old man both of Minden, are charged with possession of a Schedule 1 Drug (cocaine).

Both men were charged and released from custody with a court date in Minden on February 5, 2003.

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### Municipality of Highlands East NOTICE

(Applicant — EDGECOMBE)

IN THE MATTER OF THE MUNICIPAL ACT AND IN THE MATTER OF A PROPOSED BY-LAW OF THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF HIGHLANDS EAST TO CLOSE, STOP-UP AND CONVEY CERTAIN PORTIONS OF AN ORIGINAL ALLOWANCE FOR ROAD ALONG THE SHORE OF STORMY LAKE, MORE PARTICULARLY HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Chapter M45, Section 297 and Section 300 of the Municipal Act, R.S.O. 1990, as amended, that the township Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Highlands East proposes to consider and if deemed advisable, to pass at its regular meeting to be held at the Council Chambers, Wilberforce, Ontario on Tuesday, the 11th day of February 2003, at 9:00 a.m., a By-Law to close, stop-up and convey to the adjacent land owners the following described lands:

Part of the Original Shore Road Allowance in front of Lot 27, Concession 14, Township of Glamorgan, Municipality of Highlands East, County of Haliburton shown as Part 2 on a Preliminary Plan of Survey made by Paul Wilson, O.L.S., dated August 27, 2002.

The Plan of Survey as referred to above is available for inspection during regular office hours at the Municipality of Highlands East offices, Wilberforce, Ontario.

AND TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that before passing the said By-Law at the meeting to be held at the time and place above mentioned, the Municipality of Highlands East shall then and there hear in person or by his counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his, her or their lands will be prejudicially affected by the said By-Law and who applies to be heard.

DATED at the Municipality of Highlands East (Wilberforce), Ontario this 31st day of December, 2002.

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### THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF HALIBURTON

## PUBLIC NOTICE

IN THE MATTER OF the Municipal Act ; and  
IN THE MATTER OF a proposed by-law of the Corporation of the County of Haliburton to stop up, close and convey to the adjoining landowner, a portion of the road right of way, situated in Lots 33, 34 and 35 Concession XI, in the geographic Township of Dysart.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 300(1)(a) of the Municipal Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.M.45 as amended, that the Council of the Corporation of the County of Haliburton proposes to consider, and if deemed appropriate, enact at its meeting to be held in the Council Chambers of the Administration Building on Newcastle Street, in the Town of Minden, Ontario, on January 22, 2003, a by-law to stop up, close and convey the portions of road allowance more particularly described as follows :

*Part No.2 as shown on Reference Plan No.19R 6602, a plan of survey prepared by Paul Wilson Surveying Limited, deposited in the Land Registry Office on February 26th, 1999, and,*

*Part No.8 as shown on Reference Plan No.19R 3239, a plan of survey prepared by Bishop and Wilson, deposited in the Land Registry Office on February 4th, 1985.*

The aforementioned plans of survey are available for perusal at the Roads Department Office, 3 Saint Germaine St., Minden, Ontario during regular office hours. ( 8:30 am. to 4:30 pm. Monday to Friday )

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that before passing the said by-law at its meeting to be held as noted above, the Council of the County of Haliburton shall then and there hear in person, or by his counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his land will be prejudicially affected by the said by-law and who applies to be heard.

DATED at the Township of Minden Hills this 23rd. day of December, 2002.

Brian W. Mulholland, Operations and Approvals Officer  
(705) 286-1766 office  
(705) 286-4881 fax no.



# Festive R.I.D.E. statistics

OPP

Submitted

Members of the Haliburton Highlands detachment have stopped 1,814 vehicles to date during their festive R.I.D.E. program. The program commenced on November 18, 2002 and the following figures are up to and including December 18, 2002.

**Impaired Drivers: 1**  
**12 hour suspensions: 3**  
**Other charges: 20 (Criminal Code, Liquor Licence Act, Highway Traffic Act and Other Provincial Offences).**

During that same time period the officers have also investigated thirty-nine motor vehicle accidents: one fatal snowmobile accident, four personal injury accidents and 34 property damage accidents.

During the week of December 19-25, 2002, officers from the Haliburton Highlands Detachment stopped 130 vehicles in various R.I.D.E. locations.

There were no impaired driving charges laid and no twelve-hour suspensions were issued.

One provincial offence charge was laid. During this period the officers investigated twenty motor vehicle accidents. Seventeen were property damage and the other three involved personal injury.



## MUNICIPALITY OF DYSART ET AL

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### NOTICE OF COUNCIL MEETING TO CONSIDER AN APPLICATION TO PURCHASE THE SHORELINE ROAD ALLOWANCE MUNICIPALITY OF DYSART ET AL

**DATE:** Monday January 13th, 2003  
**TIME:** any person who wishes to address Council should contact the Planning Department for a delegation time.  
**LOCATION:** Council Chambers, Municipal Office, Haliburton, Ontario.

#### APPLICATIONS:

The Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al has by resolution declared the following parcels of land to be surplus. These parcels of land are parts of original shoreline road allowances, located in the Municipality of Dysart et al, in the County of Haliburton.

- Applicant:** Harcourt Park (Lease: McEnaney)  
**Location:** - Allen Lake.  
 - In front of Lot 3, Concession 7, Township of Harcourt.  
 - Defined as Part 1 on a preliminary plan of survey, prepared by Paul Wilson, OLS, and dated March 30th, 2002, available for review in the Planning Department.
- Applicant:** Stewart  
**Location:** - Haliburton Lake.  
 - In front of Lot 13, Concession 3, Township of Harburn.  
 - Dignan Drive.  
 - Defined as Parts 1 and 2 on a preliminary plan of survey prepared by H. Curry Bishop, OLS and dated September 19th, 2002, available for review in the Planning Department.
- Applicant:** Williams  
**Location:** - Grass Lake.  
 - In front of Lot 10, Concession 8, Township of Dysart.  
 - Peninsula Drive.  
 - Defined as Parts 1 and 2 on a preliminary plan of survey prepared by T. A. Bunker, OLS and dated September 2nd, 2002, available for review in the Planning Department.
- Applicant:** Spittle  
**Location:** - Redstone Lake.  
 - In front of Lot 28, Concession 10, Township of Guilford.  
 - Defined as Parts 1 and 2 on a preliminary plan of survey prepared by Paul Wilson, OLS and dated August 5th, 2002, available for review in the Planning Department.

NOTICE IS GIVEN that the Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al proposes to consider and if deemed appropriate enact at its meeting as noted above, a by-law to close, stop-up and convey the portions of shoreline road allowance described above.

BEFORE PASSING the said by-law, the Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al shall at its meeting to be held as noted above, hear in person or by his counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his land will be affected by the said by-law.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION is available for review from the Planning Department at the Municipal Office during regular offices hours (9:00 am. to 5:00 pm. Monday to Friday).

DATED at the Township of Dysart, this 21st day of November, 2002.

Patricia E. Martin  
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- **The Haliburton Highlands Prostate Cancer Support Group** meets the third Tuesday of every month at 7 p.m., in the Fireside Lounge at the Highland Crest Senior Citizen's home in Minden. For info, please contact Rick Ratcliff at 286-6699.
- **Climax Climbing Club** - every Tuesday evening at Camp Medeba in West Guilford. 6:30 - 8 p.m. for Parents and Children under 13 years, and 6:30 - 9:30 for teens and adults. Drop-in indoor rock climbing. For more information contact Greg Shantz at Family Services 457-5345.
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- **Ontario Breast Screening Program** - for women 50 years and over, screening on Thursdays and Fridays by appointment only at Ross Memorial Hospital. No doctor referral needed. Call (705) 328-6175.
- **Adult Badminton:** now until May 2003 - Archie Stouffer Public School. Monday 7:45 p.m. - 9:45 p.m. For more info call Lois 286-1765.
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- **Dec. 31 & Jan. 1st: Dorset Recreation Centre will be Closed** - Happy New Year!
- **Jan. 2: Dorset Recreation Centre is holding Jr. Volleyball** at 5:30; Adult Volleyball 6:30.
- **Jan. 2: Join Home Support's Wheels to Meals Program** at the Minden Legion at 1:00 p.m. Thursday. Please call Ida to make your reservations, 457-2941.
- **Jan. 3: Please join Home Support for Cribbage** at 1:00 p.m. Friday. For more information contact Ida at 457-2941, or just come to our Drop In Centre in the Halco Plaza.
- **Jan. 6: Dorset Recreation Centre is holding Jr. Badminton** at 5:30; Adult Badminton at 6:30 p.m.
- **Jan. 6: Join Home Support for Contract Bridge** at 1:00 p.m. in the Drop In Centre in the Halco Plaza. For more information please contact Ida at 457-2941.
- **Jan. 7: Dorset Recreation Centre is holding Jr. Floor Hockey** 5:30; Adult Floor Hockey 6:30 p.m.
- **Jan. 8: Join Home Support for Wheels to Meals at Kei's** in Haliburton on Wed., Jan. 8. Please call Ida to make your reservation. 457-2941.
- **Jan. 8: Dorset Recreation Centre is holding Jr. Basketball** at 5:30; Adult Basketball at 6:30 p.m.
- **Jan. 8: Join Home Support for Bid Euchre** at 1:00 p.m. on Wed., Jan. 8, in the Drop In Centre in the Halco Plaza. For more information please contact Ida at 457-2941.
- **Jan. 9: Dorset Recreation Centre is holding the Senior's Friendship Luncheon** at 12 noon and later the Jr. Volleyball at 5:30; Adult Volleyball at 6:30 p.m.
- **Jan. 10: Please join Home Support for Wheels to Meals at Bolger's Fine Dining** in Harcourt. To make your reservation, please call Ida at 457-2941.
- **Jan. 10: Join Home Support for Cribbage** at 1:00 p.m. in the Drop In Centre in the Halco Plaza. For more information please contact Ida at 457-2941.

Events listings are provided **FREE** for non-profit groups on a space-available basis. While we endeavour to accommodate requests for publication, we cannot guarantee that all requests for listings will appear. Requests should be faxed to The Echo at 457-3275, emailed to editorial@haliburtonecho.on.ca., or brought in to the office. **Please submit events by the Thursday prior to the requested publication date.**

**NOTE:** This calendar is not a comprehensive listing of all events taking place in the area. Please check the classified pages, display advertising and articles appearing elsewhere in the Echo for more information on events and in the Highlands.





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**ITEMS FOR SALE** - Steam cleaner attachment for Shop Vac, \$30.; 3 tier plant stand with grow lights, \$225.; Homelite Chain Saw XL925, \$75. Call 457-5302.

**JUST IN** - Truck load of wood pellets, 40 lb. bag \$4.29. Great price at Haliburton Home Hardware.

**SATELLITE** - TV Polonia, German TV, Thai TV and Hi-Speed Internet. Call 457-3493.

## 010 FOR SALE

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## 050 VEHICLES

**1990 CHEV. CAVALIER** - 2.2 L, 146,000 km, \$1,750. o.b.o. Call Jamie at 457-3667.

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**1997 CHEV LUMINA**  
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## 120 PETS

**YAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM HOUND DOG GROOMING!** Call Hound Dog Grooming. All breeds - by appointment, Haliburton (705) 457-3335.

## 130 LOST & FOUND

**LOST DOG** - Husky, black and white. Ran away from the office of North Steel. Brown eyes, 1-year-old, friendly, playful, answers to Rocco. No collar. Missing since Dec. 20. Please call 286-6127 or 286-1625.

## 150 COMMERCIAL SPACE

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## 160 FOR RENT

**2 BEDROOM APARTMENT** - in village of West Guilford, walk to store and beach, 1,150 sq. ft., 4 pc. bath, ground floor, large yard, \$675/month utilities included. Call 457-2535.

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## 200 HELP WANTED

**CUSTOM SIGN MANUFACTURER** has a need for a Shop Supervisor. Full time year round work. Fax resume to denSign at 457-1239 or call 457-5234.

## 200 HELP WANTED

**HALIBURTON COUNTY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**  
**A Community Futures Development Corporation**  
The Haliburton County Development Corporations (HCDC) Arts Committee is seeking a consultant to conduct research and community consultation for a master plan for the arts sector in Haliburton County. APPLICATION DEADLINE JANUARY 13, 2003 Full details of the project, objectives and criteria are available through Patti Tallman at HCDC Village Court Plaza Box 210 Haliburton, Ontario K0M 1S0 Phone (705) 457-3555 Fax (705) 457-3398 e-mail - hcdc@halinet.on.ca

**TEACHING OPPORTUNITY** - Experienced in home schooling, teacher required to complete remainder of school year with very bright grade six level student. Competitive salary and benefits. Please call 286-3621 after 7 p.m. and 457-2224 after 2 p.m.

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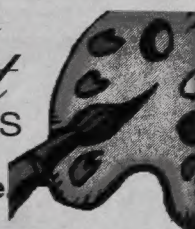
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CENTRAL OFFICE SUPPLIES

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## 270 HEALTH & FITNESS

### MILLENNIUM LIFESTYLES Health & Fitness Centre FITNESS CLASSES

(12 Weeks)  
January 6 - March 27  
Kathy Carey:  
Sculpt & Tone - M, W at 9 a.m.  
Fit over 50 - W at 10 a.m.  
Cardio Blast - Tues, Th at 5 p.m.  
Lorie Kah:  
Muscle Plus - M, W at 12 p.m.  
M, W at 5:15 p.m.  
Camp - M, W at 6:15 p.m.  
Alison Logan:  
Step & Tone - Tues at 7:15 p.m.

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STEP IT FITNESS - Classes start  
Jan. 6th for 12 weeks. Cardio, Resist-  
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Call 457-1052 (Jane) for info.

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YOGA & RELAXATION - 10 week  
course. Classes resume Jan. 8/03,  
West Guilford Community Centre.  
7:00 to 8:30. Call Pat for info  
489-4279.

## 290 COMING EVENTS

Haliburton Legion  
SUNDAY BREAKFAST BRUNCH  
10:00 a.m. TO 1:30 p.m.  
Upstairs In Our  
SMOKE FREE Auditorium  
Pancakes Or Eggs  
Bacon Or Sausage  
Home Fries, Toast, Juice  
Coffee Or Tea  
\$4.00  
Sunday, January 5

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## 290 COMING EVENTS

### WEIGHTWATCHERS

Join the prepaid Community Meeting in Haliburton!  
Monday, January 6 6:30pm  
Lakeside Baptist Church, Park Street, Haliburton  
SPECIAL OFFER - 20 or more members...  
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Haliburton

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SEE YOU ON WED JAN 15th  
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HAVE A HAPPY HOLIDAY  
THE BEST IN THE NEW YEAR  
THE BINGO COMMITTEE

### KARAOKE

Friday nights

at

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Minden

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### RETIRED TEACHERS OF ONTARIO

Haliburton Unit  
are having their annual  
Chickadee Luncheon  
at the Old Country House,  
Haliburton  
Monday, January 13  
at 12:00 p.m.  
All R.T.O. Members, Retired  
Teachers and Guests Welcome  
Members will be telephoned.  
For non-member reservations, call  
Louise Cooper at 754-9129  
by January 7

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### WILBERFORCE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

Annual General Meeting  
Monday, January 13/03  
6:00 p.m. - Pot luck dinner  
7:00 p.m. - Meeting  
Monmouth Community Centre  
Tory Hill, Ontario.  
Everyone is Welcome.

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## 300 ANNOUNCEMENTS

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## 290 COMING EVENTS

### 400 NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
AND OTHERS  
IN THE MATTER  
OF THE ESTATE OF  
FAYE VIOLET McDONAGH  
deceased.

All creditors and others having claims  
against the Estate of FAYE VIOLET  
McDONAGH, late of the township of  
Dysart, in the County of Haliburton,  
who died on the 29th day of October,  
2002, are required to file the particu-  
lars of such claims with the under-  
signed solicitors for the said Estate on  
or before the 31st day of January,  
2003.

AND take notice that after the last day  
named, the assets of the said Estate,  
will be distributed among the persons  
hereto entitled having regard only to  
the claims of which the Estate  
Trustee/Executrix for the Estate be-  
ing Mabel Everall, shall have notice.  
DATED at Haliburton, Ontario this 9th  
day of December, 2002 by BISHOP  
AND ROGERS, Barristers and Solici-  
tors, P.O. Box 472, Haliburton, On-  
tario, K0M 1S0. Solicitors for the Es-  
tate Trustee of the Estate of Faye Vi-  
olet McDonagh.

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## 420 PERSONALS

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jured person.

## 450 IN MEMORIAM

ILES, EDWARD (TED) - In loving  
memory of a wonderful husband who  
God called home suddenly on Janu-  
ary 5, 2002.

Beautiful memories are wonderful  
things  
They last to the end of time  
They never get lost and  
Can never be given away.  
To some you may be forgotten  
And others the thing of the past.  
But for me who loved you and lost  
you.  
Your memories will always last.  
Sadly missed and will always love  
you. Your wife Dorothy.

ILES, EDWARD (TED) - In loving  
memory of a dear father, father-in-law  
and papa who God called home sud-  
denly Jan. 5, 2002.  
One year has passed  
Dear Dad since God called you home.  
He has you in his keeping  
But we have you in our hearts  
God's garden must be beautiful  
He only takes the best.  
We will always love you Sheila,  
Leslie, Bob and Corey.

## 460 OBITUARIES

COOPER, AL - At the Woodstock  
General Hospital on Monday, Decem-  
ber 23, 2002. Al Cooper of RR#5  
Woodstock in his 78th year. Beloved  
husband of Marie Cooper (nee Eng-  
lish). Dear father of Don and Betty Co-  
oper of Woodstock and Janet and  
Steve Robb of Innerkip. Loved grand-  
pa of Sarah and David Robb (and  
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vid Michael Robb. Also survived by  
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## 460 OBITUARIES

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Sydney, B.C. Earl and his wife  
Eleanor of West Guilford. Evelyn Bra-  
dley and husband Duncan of Thun-  
der Bay and Shirley Rapson and hus-  
band Kenneth of Maple Lake, sisters-  
in-law Mildred Cooper of Burlington  
and Louise Cooper of West Guilford  
and many nieces and nephews. Pre-  
deceased by his brothers Lorne and  
Sidney. Friends called at the R.D.  
Longworth Funeral Home 845 De-  
vonshire Ave., Woodstock,  
(539-0004) on Friday, 2:30 - 4:30 and  
7-9 p.m. where the complete funeral  
service was held in the chapel on Sat-  
urday at 11:00 a.m. with Pastor Glenn  
Rider officiating. Interment in the In-  
nerkip Cemetery in the spring. Con-  
tributions to the Woodstock General  
Hospital or the London Health Scienc-  
es Centre would be appreciated. A  
service under the auspices of Oxford  
Masonic Lodge #76 A.F. & A.M. will  
be held at the funeral home Friday  
evening at 6:30 p.m. Online con-  
dolences at www.longworthfuneral-  
home.com

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## 460 OBITUARIES

JUBB, HELEN CHRISTEL (Graves)

- Peacefully at Haliburton Hospital on  
Sunday, December 22, 2002 in her  
82nd year. Beloved wife of Bernard.  
Loving mother of Wayne, David, Ron-  
ald, Bette Ann, Bernice and Barbara.  
Fun-loving grandmother of 18; and  
great grandmother of 12; beloved sis-  
ter of Ruth Young. Helen's positive at-  
titude, incredible sense of humour and  
ready smile will be missed by all.  
Friends were invited to call at the R.S.  
KANE FUNERAL HOME, 6150  
Yonge Street, North York on Friday  
morning, December 27, 2002 from 10  
o'clock until time of Memorial Service  
in the Chapel at 11 o'clock. Ennum-  
ment to follow at Westminister Ce-  
metery. As expressions of sympathy  
donations to the Haliburton Highlands  
Health Services Foundation (HHHSF)  
would be appreciated by the family.  
Funeral arrangements have been en-  
trusted to the HALIBURTON COM-  
MUNITY FUNERAL HOME, Halibur-  
ton, Ontario (705) 457-9209.

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## 460 OBITUARIES

SOWDEN, RUTH - At Ross Memo-  
rial Hospital, City of Kawartha Lakes  
on December 25, 2002 in her 73rd  
year. Beloved wife of the late Lorne  
Stewart. Loving mother of Sheldon  
McMurray of Warkworth. Fondly re-  
membered by her granddaughter  
Charity. Dear sister of Morris (Ruth)  
Stamp of Lindsay, Doris Cooper of  
Bowmanville, Audrie (Lloyd) Madill  
of Minden. Predeceased by her sis-  
ters Mina Peters, Muriel Reynolds,  
Vera Bull, Beryl Henry, Shirley and  
Dosi and brothers Wilbert and Edgar.  
Friends were invited to call at the HA-  
LIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNER-  
AL HOME, Hwy. #118, Haliburton,  
Ontario 457-9209 on Friday after-  
noon, December 27, 2002 from 1  
o'clock until time of Funeral Service  
in the Chapel at 2 o'clock. A reception  
followed in the Reception Room at the  
Funeral Home. Interment later St. Pe-  
ter's Anglican Church Cemetery, Ma-  
ple Lake. As expressions of sympathy  
donations to the Canadian Cancer  
Society or the Ross Memorial Hospi-  
tal Foundation would be appreciated  
by the family.

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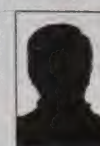
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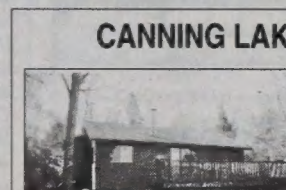


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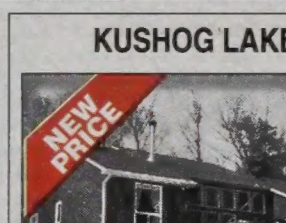
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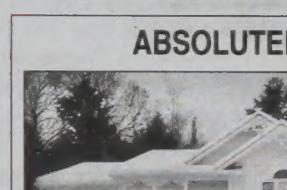
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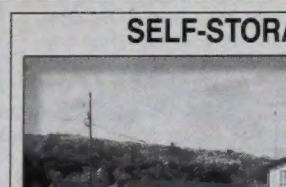
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